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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 1, 2003, Applicant elects the invention of Claims 1-22. A favorable response on these claims is hereby requested. Claims 23-25 are considered withdrawn.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response; this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 02-1010 (35640/36899).

Respectfully submitted,

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